

State of Wisconsin



2011 Senate Joint Resolution 70

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and public service of Harry Franke.

Whereas, Harry Franke, former Wisconsin Representative and Senator, passed away on February 4, 2012; and

Whereas, Harry Franke is survived by his wife Mary and their three children, Jay, John, and Mary Ann; and

Whereas, Harry was born on October 13, 1922, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Harry attended the University of Wisconsin, but left to join the Army during World War II where he served stateside as a trainer; and

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Whereas, in 1950, Harry Franke was elected to the Wisconsin assembly, serving one term; and

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Whereas, many have praised Harry for his work as a lobbyist and credit his success to his straightforward, honest, and thoughtful approach to the job; and

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Whereas, Harry was recognized for his hard work and dedication to the community, receiving awards such as the Milwaukee Foundation Community Service William Frye Award, Milwaukee Bar Association Lawyer of the Year, and Boy Scouts' Distinguished Citizen Award; and

Whereas, Harry never shied away from his beliefs despite criticism, as evidenced by his speaking out against Wisconsin Senator Joe McCarthy's anti-communist rhetoric; and

Whereas, Harry will long be remembered for his love of limericks, reciting one at the end of each Milwaukee Rotary meeting, where he served as President and District Governor for Wisconsin; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature commends the life and dedicated service of Harry Franke, expresses sorrow at his death, and extends its condolences to his family, friends, and all those who were touched by his work; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to Mr. Franke's family.

Representative Jeff Fitzgerald
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Michael G. Ellis
President of the Senate

Date

Jeffrey Renk
Assistant Chief Clerk of the Senate

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 70 (LRB -4180)

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03-05. S. Introduced by Senators **Darling, Taylor, Galloway, T. Cullen, Risser, Holperin, Carpenter, Miller and S. Coggs**; cosponsored by Representatives **Berceau, Stone, Spanbauer, Staskunas, Kessler and Pasch**.

03-05. S. Read and referred to committee on Senate Organization 754

03-05. S. Available for scheduling.

03-06. S. Placed on calendar 3-7-2012 pursuant to Senate Rule 18(1) 760

03-07. S. Read.

03-07. S. **Adopted** by unanimous rising vote 775

03-07. S. Entire membership of the Senate added as coauthors 775

03-07. S. Ordered immediately messaged 776

03-09. A. Received from Senate 904

03-09. A. Read first time and referred to committee on Rules 904

03-13. A. Rules suspended to withdraw from committee on Rules and take up.

03-13. A. **Concurred in**.

03-13. A. Ordered immediately messaged.

03-13. S. Received from Assembly concurred in.

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Drafter

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